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SUBJECT: PRESS REACTION TO UNITED BRANDS BRIBE SCANDAL IN
HONDURAS

1. APRIL 9 NICARAGUA'S MAJOR DAILY OPPOSITION LA PRENSA CARRIED
FRONT PAGE ACCOUNT BY AP OF WALL STREET JOURNAL STORY ON ALLEGED
BRIBE OF HONDURAS OFFICIALS BY UNITED BRANDS. HEADLINE WAS
"FABULOUS BRIBE TO LOPEZ ARELLANO."

2. APRIL 10, LA PRENSA FOLLOWED UP WITH THREE FRONT PAGE AND TWO
LENGTHY INSIDE PAGE WIRE SERVICE STORIES -- LEAD HEADLINED
"PARTIES ASK OSWALDO BE OUSTED;" WHILE SAME DAY SOMOZA-OWNED
NOVEDADES GAVE CONSIDERABLY LESS SENSATIONAL COVERAGE WITH TWO
ACAN/EFE REPORTS, ONE PROVIDING TEXT OF DECREE SETTING UP VIP
COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE BRIBE CHARGES.

3. NO EDITORIAL OR OTHER SIGNIFICANT LOCAL COMMENT ON INCIDENT TO
REPORT.
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